



City of Rowlett

Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, June 1, 2010

5:30 P.M.

Municipal Building – 4000 Main Street

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Magglio, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson and Councilmember Kilgore

Absent: Mayor Harper

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Magglio called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Convened into Executive Session at 5:30 p.m.

- 2A. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and §551.072 (Purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property) to seek legal advice from the City Attorney regarding lease of Waterview Golf Course with American Golf Corporation. (15 minutes)

3. WORK SESSION ITEMS (5:45 P.M.)

Convened into open session at 5:45 p.m.

Councilmember Rushing arrived at the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Item 3D was present first during the Work Session.

3A. Joint meeting with the Tax-Increment Finance District Board. (10 minutes)

This item followed Item 3C.

Staff presented the Council with the required annual report. Stated the TIF District does not have a participating taxing jurisdiction except for the City of Rowlett. Currently, the Board has not issued any bonds, has not had any projects completed and has not met with any potential developers. Stated the tax evaluation increased approximately \$9M; stated as the turnpike is completed, the tax evaluation will increase.

3B. Presentation on proposed landscaping for Miller and Rowlett Roads. (30 minutes)

This item followed Item 3A.

Staff presented a PowerPoint presentation to the City Council. Showed various design options to using rocks, plantings and texture changes.

Council discussed the terms xeriscape and landscape.

Staff stated maintenance must be performed.

Council stated the City entrances make a statement about the City; the City needs to hold itself accountable on maintenance; consensus was reached to make a statement at the entrances of the City, to maintain all other medians with the low water and low maintenance products.

3C. Discuss general obligation debt refunding opportunity. (15 minutes)

This item followed Item 3D.

Staff stated the City has an opportunity to refund approximately \$12M in outstanding debt resulting in a savings of approximately \$865,000. The \$65,000 savings per year will release additional bonding capabilities in the future.

Spoke concerning the 1997 variable rate bond used for the golf course; stated the bond is not a tax-free bond. Stated locking in the variable rate at this time would cost the City more over the remaining life of the bond than what would be saved. Stated the City has saved money by having the variable rate bond. Staff recommended not to lock in the variable rate but to continue to monitor the rate.

Consensus was to not lock in the rate at this time.

3D. Update on the funding for the DART Art and Design Project. (10 minutes)

This item was the first item during the Work Session.

Staff stated DART was not able to attend the meeting and asked to reschedule this item to bring back at a future date to see the art renderings.

Staff stated the DART Art and Design Committee's efforts will result in an outstanding project for the station site.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Item 10B was removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered individually.

RECEPTION FOR THE OUTGOING COUNCILMEMBERS (7:00 - 7:30)

CONVENE INTO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (7:30 P.M.)

Convened into the Council Chambers at 7:30 p.m.

5. INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Minister Gary Moreau, Lake Cities Community Church.

POSTING OF COLORS

Posting of Colors by the Rowlett Police Honor Guard.

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Rowlett Police Honor Guard.

7. TEXAS PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Texas Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto.

8. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 8A.** Proclamations recognizing the 2010 Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission Writing Contest winners.

Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Kathy Cockcroft, Library Director and Mary Drayer, Arts and Humanities Commission member, presented the winners of the Writing Contest with a proclamation and a prize check.

- 8B.** Presentation recognizing the month of June as National Home Safety Month.

The proclamation for this item will be presented at the June 15, 2010 Council meeting.

- 8C.** Recognition of services and presentations to outgoing City Councilmembers.

Councilmember Kilgore and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel recognized Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto and Councilmember Rushing for their years of service to the community.

- 8D.** Update from the Mayor: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest, and Items of Community Interests.

Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto gave a brief update to the Council on the various activities in the City including the Memorial Day Celebration and Congressman Sam Johnson, the opening of the Wet Zone, and Early Voting for the Run-off Election is June 1st – 8th.

9. CITIZENS' INPUT

No one spoke during Citizens' Input.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

Item 10B was removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered individually.

City Secretary read the items into the record.

- 10A.** Consider approving minutes from the March 30, 2010 Joint Work Session with the Planning and Zoning Commission and the May 18, 2010 Regular Council Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 10B.** Consider a resolution approving an agreement for the Rowlett Chapter #4440 of the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

This item was removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered individually.
Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto read the item into the record.

Staff made a brief presentation concerning this item.

Two citizens spoke regarding this item.

1. James McGee, Jr., 4502 Horizon Drive, Rowlett – Spoke regarding the history of the Academy and the changes in the proposed agreement.
2. Ken Romaine, 3001 Larkin, Rowlett – Spoke concerning dB typo and sound levels for aircraft in the proposed agreement.

Council asked staff to evaluate the dB of the aircraft compared with the City's sound ordinance; asked staff to consider waiving the Rowlett Community Centre fees for the inaugural electric indoor fly event.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kilgore, seconded by Councilmember Phillips to approve the agreement with the following changes: Section 1.05, sub-paragraph F, Sound Test Procedure, that each and every 96dB shall be changed to 85dB, each and every reference to three (3) meters shall be changed to twenty (20) feet, and each and every reference to 1-1/2 meters shall be changed to ten (10) feet. Additionally, paragraph 8.01, Term, amend by striking everything after the phrase 'any renewal date' and adding 'either the City or RC/AMA requests changes to the agreement'. Furthermore, in Section 1.06, sub-section AB, Annual Fun Fly Event, the opening line shall be amended to read 'with approval of the Parks and Recreation Department, the RC/AMA may host an Annual Fun Fly Event with the following exceptions to the above rules in place:'. Additionally, sub-paragraph 1 of sub-section AB, should be amended to read 'Fuel flight operations begin no earlier than 9:00 A.M.'

Councilmember Phillips made a motion to amend the previous motion made by Councilmember Kilgore. Councilmember Phillips directed staff to consider waiving the fees for the Inaugural Electric Fly Event.

Councilmember Kilgore accepted the friendly amendment made by Councilmember Phillips. This item was approved as RES-047-10. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 – Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson and Councilmember Kilgore

Absent: 1 – Mayor Harper

- 10C.** Consider a resolution authorizing the final acceptance of public improvements for ALDI Food Store #32 located on Revised Safeway Addition #16, 3500 Lakeview Parkway.

This item was approved as RES-048-10 on the Consent Agenda.

- 10D.** Consider a resolution approving Task Authorization 12-GA to the approved Professional Services Agreement with Grantham and Associates, Incorporated (G&A) to provide engineered construction drawings for pump, electrical, control panel, and piping upgrades to the Eastside Lift Station (ESLS) in the total amount of sixty-two thousand seven hundred sixty-five dollars and zero cents (\$62,765.00).

This item was approved as RES-049-10 on the Consent Agenda.

- 10E.** Consider a resolution approving a lease agreement for the operation of the Downtown Farmer's Market.

This item was approved as RES-050-10 on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Rushing, including all the preceding items marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 – Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson, and Councilmember Kilgore

Absent: 1 – Mayor Harper

11. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

There were no items to be considered individually.

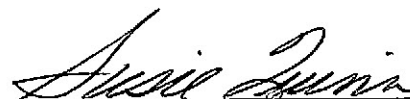
TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

No actions were taken following the Executive Session.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto adjourned the meeting at 8:58 p.m.



John E. Harper, Mayor

Susie Quinn, City Secretary

Date Approved: June 15, 2010